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EXPLANATION OF SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES TO THE RECORD OF DECISION

for the

Sauget Area 2 Superfund Site Sauget, St. Clair County, Hilmois

EPA is announcing a change to its September 2002 record of decision for the Sauget Area 2 site. This change is documented in an explanation of significant differences.

The 2002 record of decision addressed the release of contaminated ground water into the Mississippi River. The selected interim ground water remedy included the installation of an underground barrier between Site R and the Mississippi River. In the record of decision, the barrier was to be made of jet grout and would hold the contaminated ground water until it was pumped and treated in compliance with all applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements. The change being recommended by EPA, in conjunction with the Illinois EPA, allows the wall to be a soil-bentonite slurry wall rather than a jet grout barrier.

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Copies of the explanation of significant differences and other documents related to the Sauget Area 2 site are available at the Cahokia Public Library District, 140 Cahokia Park Drive, Cahokia, Ill., and at EPA Region 5 offices located at 77 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.